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Transmitted herewith are the following documents pertaining to the above-identified application:

- ☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney form executed by Shutaro NAKANISHI;
- ☒ The undersigned attorney has verified that the applicant is entitled to a Small Entity Status;
- ☐ \_\_\_\_\_ Sheets of Formal Drawings;
- ☒ An Assignment of the Invention to: **TOWA CO., LTD** including \$40.00 recordation fee and Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet;
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (Form - 1449) with references;
- ☒ A copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 37 U.S.C. 371;
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment; and
- ☐ Petition and Fee for Extension of Time (37 CFR 1.136(A)).

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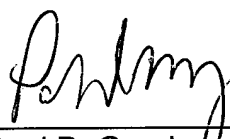
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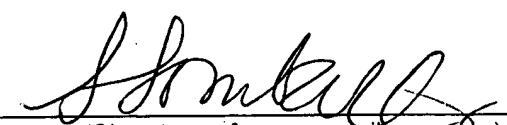
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### NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 05/26/2006
- English Translation of the IA filed on 05/26/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 05/26/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 07/10/2006
- Small Entity Statement filed on 05/26/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 05/26/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 05/26/2006
- Specification filed on 05/26/2006
- Claims filed on 05/26/2006
- Abstracts filed on 05/26/2006
- Drawings filed on 05/26/2006

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The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fees required for this application is \$65 for a Small Entity:

- \$65 Surcharge.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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